

SEARCH SUNKEN HULL FOR BODIES OF 450 PER- SONS THOUGHT LOST

**Spanish Steamer Valbanera
Was Lost During Tropical
Storm Which Raged Over
the Gulf of Mexico and the
Adjacent Waters Last
Week.**

**MOST OF PASSENGERS
WERE FROM SPAIN**

**The Valbanera Was Last
Heard from on the Night
of Sept. 8, When She Ap-
peared Off the Entrance
to Havana Harbor and
Later Put Out in Storm.**

Key West, Fla., Sept. 20.—With a wrecking crew and divers examining the sunken hull and with scores of boats searching surrounding waters and islands for trace of bodies or survivors, the fate of the 450 passengers and members of the crew of the Spanish steamer Valbanera, which foundered during the hurricane last week, was expected to be cleared up to-day. The naval station here has offered all facilities and with two Cuban gunboats will aid other craft in the search.

The Valbanera, bound from Spanish ports to Havana, was last heard from on the night of Sept. 8, when she appeared off the entrance to Havana harbor. Yesterday a steamer bearing that name was found sunk off Rebecca shoals light, 40 miles from Key West.

Madrid, Sept. 20.—Dispatches received here from Havana confirm the loss of the Spanish steamer Valbanera in the tropical storm which raged over the Gulf of Mexico and adjacent waters last week. She carried four first-class passengers, five second-class and 44 third-class. The majority of the passengers were from Malaga, Spain, on their way to employment abroad. The ship belonged to Pinillos, Inguero & Co. of Cadiz. Her captain was Ramon Martin.

**BOSTON CAR MEN
TO VOTE TO-NIGHT**

**Climax of Boston Policemen's Strike
Was Expected to Come Sunday
When Reports on Sympathetic
Action Will Be Made.**

Boston, Sept. 20.—Interest in the policemen's strike, now nearing the close of the second week, was directed to-day to the possible action of the Boston carmen's union, made up of employees of the Boston elevated railway system. A special meeting of the union was to be held to-night to consider "what action should be taken with reference to the present situation in Boston." Members of the police union were invited to be present.

SCORED CLOSING VICTORY

**Bethlehem Steel Football Team Beat
Combined Stockholm Team.**

Stockholm, Friday, Sept. 19.—The Bethlehem Steel football team was victorious yesterday in the last match it will play here, beating the combined Stockholm team by a score of 1 to 0. The Bethlehem team will sail from Bergen for the United States on Sept. 27 on board the steamer Stavangerjord.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Miss Josephine Fontana, who is teaching in Ryegate, is visiting for a few days at her home on Central street. C. S. Andrews of Maple Grove street has returned from Washington, D. C., after having visited his son, Guy, who has just returned from overseas.

Miss Ella Scott of Merchant street has returned to the city from Dixville Notch, N. H., where she was employed at the Balsams during the summer months. "Paddy, Bedroom and Bath," the three-act comedy by C. W. Bell and Mark Swain, played to an almost full house last evening at the Barre opera house. This, the third show of the season, did not quite attain the standard of the others, though it furnished a vast amount of amusement and laughter to the audience.

The senior class at Goddard seminary held a meeting last evening and elected the following officers: Paul Cate of Tokyo, Japan, president; Wilma Kircher of New York, vice-president; George King of Granville, secretary, and Miss Rachel Currier of Barre, treasurer. Arrangements were made to give the underclassmen and the alumni an informal reception at the Goddard assembly hall this evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all the alumni.

Washington Fair Sept. 23, 24 and 25.

Remember the date of the Washington fair, Sept. 23, 24 and 25. The space sold for the midway and entries that have been received for races and stock exhibits indicates that the fair will be the best ever held. The annual fair dance will be held Wednesday evening, Sept. 24.—adv.

ARTICLE 61 IS NULL AND VOID

**Peace Conference Reserves Note from
German Delegates Accepting Con-
ditions Regarding
Austria.**

Paris, Sept. 20.—Paul Dutaasta, secretary of the peace conference, has received a long note from the German delegation at Versailles advising the conference of the acceptance in the name of the German government of the demand for a declaration annulling article 61 of the German constitution, which would give Austria representation in the German Reichstag. Kurt Von Lersner, head of the German delegation, says in the note he has been authorized to sign the declaration that article 61 is null and void, but takes occasion to complain at what he characterizes as the "ironical tone" of the last note from the entente powers.

COAL CRISIS THREATENS.

**Vienna in Hard Position Due to Failure
of Czech-Slovaks.**

Vienna, Friday, Sept. 19 (By the Associated Press).—The inter-allied coal commission is trying to meet a coal crisis threatening Vienna, due to the failure of the Czech-Slovakia to deliver coal for which contracts have been made during the first ten days of September. Less than one-third the amount agreed upon for the electric plants of the city was delivered, and only about one-fourth the coal necessary for domestic use had reached here.

The city, unable to accumulate a reserve, found itself facing a critical situation yesterday. A notice was issued stating that beginning Sunday, all trains would cease running, all cafes, restaurants, and houses would be closed at 8 o'clock in the evening, and street lighting would be reduced. Fear was expressed that industrial plants would be forced to close down.

Allied railway and coal authorities took steps to ameliorate conditions and meet with the Prague government, insisting upon immediate shipments. It is hoped that it will be possible to keep a limited tramway service in operation and extend the closing hour to nine as well as to keep industries going. This would prevent the throwing into the streets of between 50,000 and 100,000 persons, who are out of work.

VISCOUNT GREY ON WAY TO AMERICA

**Coming as British Ambassador to the
United States—Was Given Farewell
By Many Officials.**

London, Sept. 20.—Viscount Grey of Faldoon, the new British ambassador to the United States, left London this morning on his trip to America. Viscount Grey and his wife and daughter, Lady Grey, were given a farewell party at the Grosvenor house, where they were met by many officials.

TO ATTACK PERU'S PROBLEMS

**New Government at Lima Outlines Its
Plans.**

Lima, Peru, Friday, Sept. 19.—Outlining the program of the new Peruvian government, Pres. A. B. Leguia, who took office after the flight of Pres. Jose Pardo y Breda last July, said to-day to the Associated Press that the first matters to be considered would be lowering the cost of living, encouraging industries, building new roads, fostering irrigation projects, building up maritime traffic, attracting foreign capital to Peru, and developing all phases of national life.

NO PROTECTORATE OF PERSIA.

**Great Britain's Treaty Does Not In-
volve That.**

London, Sept. 19.—Great Britain's treaty with Persia does not constitute a protectorate of the latter country, the only object of the agreement being to ensure Persia an opportunity to work out her destiny as an independent country, said Earl Curzon, government leader in the House of Lords, and president of the council, in speaking at a dinner given here to-night in honor of the foreign minister of Persia. The speaker admitted there had been misunderstanding of the treaty, but said there was no ground for suspicion, as would be proved by the working out of the agreement.

DISAGREE OVER FIUME.

**Premier Nitti and Foreign Minister Tit-
toni.**

Rome, Sept. 19 (Havas).—Premier Nitti and Foreign Minister Tittoni have disagreed over the Fiume incident, the latter disapproving of the premier's attitude, according to the newspapers. A dispatch from Trieste says a fleet of airplanes has been landed near Fiume and placed at the disposition of Capt. D'Annunzio, having flown from one of the Italian aviation camps. A brigade of Lombardy troops which arrived at Fiume and volunteered to join the D'Annunzio forces was sent back to its garrison, says a dispatch to the Messaggero. Capt. D'Annunzio's action in taking over control of Fiume is approved in a manifesto issued by the National Association of Wounded Soldiers.

NO BIG LOCKOUT IN STEEL PLANTS

**Carnegie Steel Co. at Pitts-
burgh Denied Circu-
lated Reports**

**PLANTS WILL OPERATE
AS LONG AS MEN WORK**

**Closing of the Mills Would
Throw 135,000 Men
Out of Work**

Pittsburgh, Sept. 20.—Reports that the United States Steel corporation would shut down its plants in the Pittsburgh district unless there was 100 per cent loyalty shown by the workers were denied to-day at the office of the Carnegie Steel company, a subsidiary. The plants of the United States Steel corporation in the Pittsburgh district, where many employees are members of the steel workers' union, would be shut down to-night for an indefinite period, was stated in reports in circulation here last night. Plants that are 100 per cent loyal will remain in operation, and loyal men in those plants which will close will be taken care of by the company, the reports say.

Mills which were reported to close to-night include those at Rankin, Braddock, Edna and Homestead and in Pittsburgh proper. A report also was circulated that the Sloss plant, the largest zinc plant in the United States, corporation, will remain in operation, as the employees sent a delegation of officers of the company assuring them of 100 per cent loyalty.

Those plants which will remain working will continue to do so, the reports aver, only so long as operations are not interfered with.

Should the mills close, it is unofficially estimated that on Monday morning 135,000 men will be idle.

The Allegheny and West Penn Steel mills and Brackenridge suspended operations at 8 o'clock this morning, in order to give the mill men opportunity to hold a meeting and consider the advisability of walking out Monday, according to Harry E. Sheldon, president of the Allegheny Steel company, and Julian Burdick, vice-president of the West Penn Steel company. These mills employ normally 5,000 to 6,000 men.

The Pittsburgh Steel company at Monessen was closed yesterday after 500 men, mostly foreigners, walked out because, according to men employed there, a foreigner was given the choice of winding eight spools of barbed wire as other men were doing or quitting. Upon his choosing the latter course, it is said, the 500 employees followed suit. According to a superintendent of the plant, however, the mill closed owing to lack of orders.

TO MAKE SURE SHE DIED.

**Maud Howricon Committed Suicide—Her
Brother Contesting Will.**

Burlington, Sept. 20.—This Howricon will case will be taken up next Tuesday in Grand Isle county court at a special session. The will is that of the late Maud Howricon, who bequeathed about \$10,000 to the Mary Fletcher hospital of this city. It is contested by her brother, John Howricon, of North Hero. Attorneys R. E. Brown and V. A. Bullard will go to North Hero to represent Howricon and Charles H. Darling will represent the hospital interest.

Miss Howricon, an unmarried woman living alone in North Hero for many years, committed suicide last July. Before her death she left some notes and in one of these stated that she was killing herself to remove all danger of being buried alive. Her attempts at suicide were persistent, for on the first attempt she tried to cut her throat and then shoot herself.

The grounds on which the will is to be contested are probably insanity. It is claimed by the Howricon interest that Miss Howricon was never treated at the hospital and that to their knowledge she was never inside the institution.

The will was made long ago, in 1902, and at that time Miss Howricon was a successful woman as she not only earned her own living, but added to the property which her parents left her.

The contestant of the will, her brother, was twice state's attorney of Grand Isle county, and is now a traveling salesman.

The will was taken into probate court and by agreement was allowed and an appeal taken to county court. Judge Frank L. Fish set the date for the trial which will probably be before him.

MILFORD QUARRY OWNER.

**Peter Ross Was Engaged in Business a
Long Time.**

Milford, Mass., Sept. 20.—Milford lost one of its most prominent citizens on Thursday in the death of Peter Ross, granite quarry owner. He died of apoplexy at his home in the Dearbrook district, at the age of 72 years.

Ross was a native of Dorchester, where he was known as a granite dealer. He came to Milford 40 years ago and had been engaged in the granite business since that time.

Ross leaves three daughters and three sons. The funeral will be held Saturday at his home.

KNOWN DEAD NEAR 400 MARK

**But Many Believe It Will Double That
Number in Corpus Christi
Hurricane.**

Corpus Christi, Tex., Sept. 20.—With the known dead near the 400 mark and steadily increasing, residents of Corpus Christi and other nearby Texas coast towns to-day resumed their search for bodies of additional persons who lost their lives through last Sunday's hurricane and tidal wave.

The number of known dead to-day was 386, but many persons believed it would be double that number when all the shore line and wreckage had been thoroughly searched.

There is romance and pathos, too, in the passing of some of the storm victims, as in the case of the death of Captain and Mrs. B. M. Egeland, not far from the army rest camp site, where Captain Egeland was in command. With two soldiers, Captain Egeland and his wife had started to wade through the rapidly rising waters, Mrs. Egeland wearing the only life belt.

ALLEGED SMUGGLER CAUGHT.

**Roland Archambault, Aged 19, Arrested
at Swanton.**

Burlington, Sept. 20.—Roland Archambault, a youth of 18 or 19 years, was arrested yesterday afternoon by United States officials at Swanton for bringing a large quantity of liquor from Canada to the United States. The amount in all was the considerable number of 20 cases. Archambault was on his way from Albany to East Swanton by ferry, and he was seized after he had reached the Swanton shore. He aimed to smuggle the liquor into Swanton, but his plans were thwarted by United States officials.

The seizure was made by Deputy United States Marshal Albert J. Albright, who brought Archambault to this city yesterday afternoon. Deputy Ladd was accompanied by Deputies Walsh and Beaman.

The complaint was made from the office of the United States district attorney for a violation of the food control act of Aug. 8, 1917, which prohibits the importation from any foreign country of distilled spirits. A warrant was issued by United States Commissioner Enright, under which Archambault was arrested by Deputy United States Marshal Lackey.

Archambault is now in jail awaiting a hearing before Commissioner Enright, which will take place to-day or Monday morning of next week.

The penalty with which Archambault is charged may be a fine not exceeding \$5,000, imprisonment for not more than two years, or both.

Archambault speaks very little English. He made his home with his father on a farm near Swanton.

DISTRICT ODD FELLOWS

**Held Meeting in Barre Last Evening
With Many Present.**

The Odd Fellows of district No. 13 held a district meeting last evening in the Odd Fellows' hall in Barre. A banquet was given in the early part of the evening from 6:30 to 8 o'clock, and about 100 members were served. At 8:30 the meeting was called to order, and the addresses began immediately, with Elmer R. Clark, noble grand of the local lodge, giving the address of welcome, to which a response for the district was given by Rev. James Ramage of Gill Lodge, No. 37, of East Barre, and a response for the grand officers was given by State Grand Master Alexander Duran. An address on the unwritten work of the lodge was given by State Grand Secretary Frank W. Jackson of Barre.

The conferring of the second degree by past grands of Hiawatha lodge, No. 20, followed the addresses, and then many of the grand officers made short speeches and remarks.

FARM CASE ON TRIAL

**Suit of L. H. Miller vs. Allen Belleville
Involves Complicated Details.**

The presentation of testimony in the case of L. H. Miller vs. Allen Belleville continued in Washington county court to-day. The case will probably not be finished until Tuesday or Wednesday. Mr. Miller was on the witness stand most of Friday. He told of the transactions between himself and Mr. Belleville relative to the deed of a farm in Elmore. In the examination he admitted that he sold the farm for about \$1,000 after the trouble over the mortgage took place. The defense endeavored to show by this testimony that Miller was in possession of the farm, although the trouble over the mortgage had occurred.

Jessie Putnam, town clerk of Worcester, testified as to the taking of the mortgage out of the office. She supposed it was to be used in making a deed and was to have been returned for the record. Benjamin Bailey testified as to his opinion of the value of the land.

The case has developed some very interesting complications in connection with the property, so that W. A. Dutton this morning asked permission to amend his specifications, which was agreed to, and the rules of damages were involved, and considerable explanation took place.

M. S. ALUMNI GATHERED

**About 250 Were Present at Reunion Held
Last Evening.**

The annual reunion of the Young Alumni of Montpelier seminary was held last night in the chapel of the institution. Owing to the large number in attendance, no banquet could be held in the dining room, so refreshments were served and a program provided. Otho Williams of Montpelier, president of the Young Alumni association, presided over the evening. Robert Plasteridge of Northfield had charge of the program. Alton Lane of Plainfield spoke on "The University of Vermont." Mr. Williams on "Wesleyan University." Clayton Tiltonson on "Athletics" and Dr. J. W. Hatch on the school in general. There were vocal solos by Dr. Melvin Fox of Boulder, Colo., and Miss Alice Pattillo, a reading by Miss Mildred Raymond and an address on "Leadership and Its Qualifications" by Dean Peck of Syracuse university. About 250 were present at the reunion, which was the largest attendance in several years.

NEW QUARRY AGREEMENT

**Was Signed Last Night by
Conferees After Long
Discussion**

**VARIOUS BRANCHES
TO VOTE ON BILL**

**Lumpers, Boxers and Der-
rickmen Are In-
volved**

An agreement for three years was signed last night by representatives of various employing concerns and the Quarry Workers' International association following several days' conferences at Montpelier. The agreement will go to the various branches of the quarry workers' association for ratification. It grants a graded wage increase of two cents an hour on Nov. 1, 1919, further increase of three cents an hour on Jan. 1, 1920, and a further increase of four cents an hour on April 1, 1921. This agreement affects not only the Barre quarry district but also the manufacturing end of the industry inasmuch as the lumpers, boxers and derrickmen's branches are members of the quarry workers' association.

The agreement was signed last night after arduous labor on the part of the conferees is as follows:

"For the purpose of stabilizing conditions in the granite industry and to gain uniformity in wages and agreements and on invitation of the Quarry Workers' International Association of North America, the national committee of the International Monumental Granite Producers' association, Inc., the National Building Granite Quarries Association of the U. S. Inc., and the Granite Paving Block Manufacturers' Association of the U. S. Inc., the special committee of said Quarry Workers' International association on Sept. 17 to 19, 1919, and agreed as follows:

"1. That this agreement shall apply to and is binding upon the members of the aforesaid International Monumental Granite Producers' association, Inc., the National Building Granite Quarries Association of the United States, Inc., and the Granite Paving Block Manufacturers' Association of the United States, Inc., who have wage agreements with branches of said Quarry Workers' International association.

"2. That this agreement shall be submitted to the branches of the Quarry Workers' International Association of North America for their approval.

"3. That for the purpose of obtaining stable and uniform conditions in the granite industry, there shall be meetings from time to time between committees of the parties hereto for frank discussion of all matters pertaining to the welfare of the industry.

"These committees shall recommend to their branches and members such changes in existing agreements or conditions as they may actually agree upon and which they find are called for because of conditions arising which were unforeseen at the time of entering into the original agreement.

"4. That every possible means shall be used to substitute a spirit of co-operation for that of contention and distrust, so that the industry may progress and prosper to the mutual advantage of all.

"5. That the conferees shall be clearly worded and doubtful words defined, so that misunderstandings may be avoided.

"6. That the parties hereto recognize the desirability of a uniformity and stability of labor agreements in the different granite centers or places, especially as to the minimum wage, hours of work and the duration of such agreements.

"So to this end they have agreed: That in those centers or places where the members of the aforesaid employers' associations have agreements with branches of the Quarry Workers' International Association of North America, the minimum wage for an eight-hour day shall be as follows:

"(a) That all employees, who are members of said Quarry Workers' International association, shall receive an increase of wages of two (2) cents an hour on Nov. 1, 1919; a further increase of three (3) cents an hour on Jan. 1, 1920, and a further increase of four (4) cents an hour on April 1, 1921, until and ending April 1, 1922. These increases shall also apply to all employees receiving more than the minimum wage.

"(b) That the minimum wage for quarrymen, pneumatic drill runners, tripod drill runners, jack hammer runners, derrickmen (except head derrickmen), blacksmiths' helpers and teamsters shall on Jan. 1, 1920, be fifty-two (52) cents an hour and on April 1, 1921, fifty-six (56) cents an hour.

"(c) That the minimum wage for head derrickmen, channel bar drill runners, powder men, lawlers, carpenters employed about quarries and riggers who go aloft shall on Jan. 1, 1920, be fifty-six (56) cents an hour, and on April 1, 1921, sixty (60) cents an hour.

"(d) That the minimum wage for laborers, steam drill helpers and grinders shall on Jan. 1, 1920, be forty-two (42) cents an hour and on April 1, 1921, forty-six (46) cents an hour.

"(e) That the minimum wage for engineers on grout cars and firemen having charge of one boiler shall on Jan. 1, 1920, be fifty-two (52) cents an hour and on April 1, 1921, fifty-six (56) cents an hour.

"(f) That the minimum wage for engineers operating boiler and compressor, or boiler and hoist, or two boilers or two compressors, or fifty-six (56) cents an hour and on April 1, 1921, sixty (60) cents an hour.

"(g) That the minimum wage for hoisting engineers operating one derrick shall on Jan. 1, 1920, be fifty-four (54) cents an hour and on April 1, 1921, fifty-eight (58) cents an hour.

"(h) That because of the variances in existing agreements, in respect to the classification and wages of blacksmiths, and to obtain as much of a degree of uniformity as appeared compatible with such variances, it is agreed:

"That the minimum wage for blacksmiths shall on Jan. 1, 1920, be fifty-six (56) cents an hour where the aforesaid increases of two (2) and three (3) cents do not bring the minimum beyond fifty-six (56) cents; and that in cases where said two (2) and three (3) cents increases make a minimum on Jan. 1, 1920, exceeding fifty-six (56) cents, said in-

creases of two (2) and three (3) cents shall nevertheless be added to present wages and the amount thus arrived at constitute on Jan. 1, 1920, the minimum wage.

"That the minimum wage for blacksmiths working on jobbing fires and sharpening machine operators shall on Jan. 1, 1920, be sixty (60) cents an hour, where the aforesaid increases of two (2) and three (3) cents do not bring the minimum beyond sixty (60) cents; and that in cases where said two (2) and three (3) cents increases make a minimum on Jan. 1, 1920, exceeding sixty (60) cents, said increases of two (2) and three (3) cents shall nevertheless be added to present wages and the amount thus arrived at constitute on Jan. 1, 1920, the minimum wage.

"(i) That, where there are existing agreements with the lumpers, boxers and derrickmen's branches of said Quarry Workers' International association, the following wages shall govern:

"The minimum at present shall be fifty-one and three quarters (51 3/4) cents an hour. On Nov. 1, 1919, three (3) cents an hour shall be added, making a minimum of fifty-four and three quarters (54 3/4) cents an hour; and on April 1, 1921, four (4) cents an hour shall be further added, making a minimum of sixty-one and three quarters (61 3/4) cents an hour, ending April 1, 1922. These three increases shall also apply to all employees covered by the aforesaid agreements who receive more than the minimum wage.

"(j) That classes of employees not specifically mentioned shall take such a minimum as their wages, plus said increases, establish.

"7. That no constitutional amendment nor any other action of either party shall change, alter, modify or add to this agreement during its life, unless such amendment or other action is voluntarily and mutually agreed upon by both parties.

"8. That all provisions in existing agreements, not in conflict with the above provisions, shall remain in force until April 1, 1922, at which date this agreement shall terminate.

"Signed at Montpelier, Vt., this 19th day of September, 1919, under the unanimous instruction of the aforesaid committees:

"Quarry Workers' International Association of North America by

"Fred W. Sutor.

"National committee of the aforesaid Granite Monumental, Building and Paving associations by

"C. Harry Rogers, Chairman."

The Conference Committees.

Although the agreement was signed by just two men, Fred W. Sutor for the quarry workers' association and C. Harry Rogers for the other associations involved, the negotiations were conducted by a large committee from each side, as follows:

Quarry workers' association: George Lawson, John McAulay and John Coxon, of Graniteville; George Elliott, Redstone, N. H.; Basil Hawkins, North Jay, Me.; John Ahern, Westbury, N. J.; Wallace Stinson, Stonington, Me.; James Conway, Quincy, Mass.; Charles Savinen, Lanesville, Mass.; Guy Walbridge, Montpelier; Morris Wood, S. E. Perry and Fred W. Sutor, Barre.

National Granite Manufacturers' association: C. Harry Rogers, president, Rockport, Mass., and Robert E. Smith, secretary, Boston; International Monumental Producers' association, S. Hollister Jackson, Barre, Frank A. Sullivan, Westbury, R. I., and Thomas A. Dumphrey, Worcester, Mass.; Building Producers' association, William C. Clifford, Bethel, John L. Goss, Boston; Frank McGuire, Stonington, Conn., and Omar S. Swenson, Concord, N. H.; Paving Producers' association, James Anderson and Joseph Leopold, New York City, and C. Harry Rogers, Rockport, Mass.

A BARRE DAY AT WHITTIER, CAL.

**Mr. and Mrs. Frank McWhorter Sur-
prised on 25th Anniversary—Mr. and
Mrs. Abbott, Too.**

A Barre gathering in a Whittier, Cal., setting, at which the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McWhorter and the 31st anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Abbott, all of whom were former Barre residents, is described in a recent issue of the Whittier News, as follows:

Last evening the beautiful new A. P. Abbott home on the Workman road, was the scene of a most delightful social event, which was a combination of wedding celebration and reunion of Vermont friends. The affair was given in honor of the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McWhorter. The day was also the thirty-first anniversary of the marriage of the host and hostess.

The occasion began with a delightful dinner, spread on a beautiful appointed table. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Frank McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Abbott, Miss Marion Abbott, Leigh McWhorter, Edley McWhorter, Misses Doris and Jean McWhorter, and the host and hostess. The table was daintily decorated in white asters.

Following dinner, much to the surprise of the honor guests, a large number of their Vermont friends appeared on the scene. A most enjoyable informal social evening followed when games and conversation furnished the best of entertainment. One of the very delightful features of the evening was the receiving of the guests by Mr. and Mrs. McWhorter, of a letter and gift from a number of their friends residing in Vermont. As is the case in Whittier, they were held in very high esteem in their eastern home city, and though they have not resided there for some time, their friends have not forgotten them, and were glad of the opportunity of expressing their friendship for them and offering their best wishes for many more such happy events. Mr. and Mrs. McWhorter were the recipients of many beautiful silver gifts. The host and hostess were not forgotten either, for, they, too, were well remembered with pretty and useful presents.

The rooms of the beautiful home were simply but very effectively decorated in white asters, golden glow and chrysanthemums, which harmonized beautifully with the pastel shades in which the rooms are finished. Dainty refreshments of ice cream, cake, and punch were served during the evening.

Those present in addition to the dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Kent of Hollywood, Mr. and Mrs. Azro Morse of Venice, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morse of East Whittier, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. McGregor of Riviera, Mr. and Mrs. Will A. Smith, Mr. Stafford and Mr. and Mrs. Will Houghton of this city.

At a late hour the guests departed after extending their best wishes to the honor guests and the host and hostess, for many more such enjoyable anniversaries.

VAST SHIPMENT AWAITS CARS

**Approximately \$3,000,000 in
Barre Granite May Be
Shipped Before Dec. 1**

**SOME RELIEF IN CAR
SHORTAGE PROMISED**

**Railroad Administration
Will Divert 100 Cars
Here Next Week**

Relief in some measure from the alarming car shortage which developed in the Barre district a month ago and reached its peak this week, is promised by the federal railroad administration, according to advices received at the Granite Manufacturers' association this morning. It is expected that 100 cars will be diverted this way from the Boston & Albany and New London, and the cars are expected to begin to make their appearance Monday. In midweek, word was received that 50 cars had been promised, but these have not appeared, and shippers in the granite industry are wondering whether the 100 promised to-day include the 50 which figured in the earlier dispatch.

ASTOUNDING figures are being compiled from returns which the manufacturers' association is gathering from every corner of the district. Finished work and work already under the hammer and due to be completed shortly approximates more than \$3,000,000 in value, and should be shipped before Dec. 1. Shippers say that 50 or 100 cars will make a dent in the accumulation of finished work, but that many more cars will be needed unless memorials in which manufacturers have hundreds of thousands of dollars invested are to be carried through the winter.